



Yankton School District

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The Mission Statement of the Yankton School District... Optimize student potential for success in a global society.

Belief Statements...

PARTNERSHIP

1. Education is a partnership among the community, parents, students and school personnel; high standards are essential for this partnership to be successful.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

2. The school system provides a safe educational environment, which encourages physical, emotional, and academic growth in a culturally diverse society.

ATMOSPHERE POSITIVE AND SUPPORTIVE

3. Learning is enhanced by a positive and supportive atmosphere, which encourages creativity, builds self-esteem, and recognizes students' success.

INDIVIDUAL STUDENT FOCUS

4. Learning requires recognition of each student's instructional style and the use of effective methods, which make learning interesting and individualized.

VALUES INTEGRATION

5. Ethical values, including an appreciation of diversity, integrity, compassion, courage, commitment, and responsibility, are integral to the learning process.

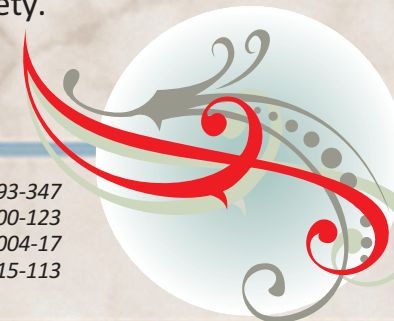
STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

6. With proper guidance, students are capable of making informed choices and are responsible for their actions.

LIFELONG LEARNING

7. Education must support life-long learning by teaching students to access and apply information for success in a global society.

Adopted by the Yankton School Board on June 14, 1993, Action #93-347
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Amended February 9, 2004, Action #2004-17
Amended August 11, 2014, Action #2015-113



YSD Preschool FAQs

How old must my child be to attend preschool? Children who are 3 years of age on or before September 1 of the upcoming school year may register for two half-day morning sessions on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Children who are 4 years of age may register for either three half-day sessions (Mon, Wed, and Fri AM) or five half-day sessions (Mon-Fri PM).

What are the hours of preschool? T/Th AM: 8:35—11:15 AM M/W/F AM: 8:35—11:15 AM M-F PM: 12:35—3:15 PM How much does preschool cost? T/Th AM = \$80/month M/W/F AM = \$100/month M-F PM = \$140/month Tuition is due on the 1st of every month for September-May. Parents who are eligible for free or reduced lunch may apply for a tuition reduction.

When does registration occur? Registration for the 2015-16 school year will open on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 8:00 AM. Registration will be in the lobby at Webster School.

Is there a registration fee? There is a non-refundable \$50 registration fee to be paid at the time of registration. This is in addition to regular tuition fees.

Does my child need to have immunizations? Immunizations for preschoolers must be up to date.

Does my child need to be toilet trained? All preschool children must be toilet trained prior to beginning preschool at Webster.

Is there preschool bus transportation? Rural, preschool children who are enrolled in the M-F afternoon session will have the option of riding the school bus home after school only.

YSD JrK FAQs

How old must my child be to attend JrK? Children who are 5 years of age on or before September 1 of the upcoming school year may register for JrK.

Why should I send my child to JrK? Typically, children who have a spring or summer birthday are recommended for the program. JrK gives children, who are barely 5 years old, an opportunity to learn in a developmentally appropriate setting while having the opportunity to engage in a variety of learning activities that keep children moving!

Is there a fee for Junior Kindergarten? JrKindergarten does not have a tuition charge, as the students are school age according to SD law.

Is JrK all day or 1/2 day? JrK is an all day, every day program; however, parents can choose a 1/2 day option.

Full Day: 8:35 AM—3:25 PM
1/2 Day: 8:35 AM—11:50 AM

When is registration? Registration for the 2015-16 school year will begin on February 12, 2015 from 4:00-6:00 PM at Beadle Elementary School. Registration is open until school begins in the fall.

Does my child need to have immunizations? Immunizations for JrK students must be up to date.

Is there JrK bus transportation? Rural, JrK children have the option of riding the bus to and from Webster Elementary School.

What grade do kids attend after JrK? Students who complete JrK in the spring will be registered for Kindergarten the following fall.

Inclement Weather

All decisions regarding school closing or early dismissal will be based upon the personal safety of students and employees. The superintendent or designee shall be responsible for dismissing school.

All inclement weather announcements concerning school closings, late starts, or early dismissals are immediately posted on the school district website: www.ysd.k12.sd.us, sent as a message through the Connect 5 Messaging System and on our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/yanktonschoolsdistrict. The announcements will also be made through the following media:

KYNT 1450 AM
KVHT 106.3 FM
WNAX 570 AM
KELO-TV

Every effort will be made to announce school closings by 6:30 a.m.

Annual Public Notification of Nondiscrimination
Yankton School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in admission to its programs, services, or activities, in access to them, in treatment of individuals, or in any aspect of their operations. Yankton School District Career and Technical Education department does not discriminate in enrollment or access to any of the programs available. The District's CTE programs include the following career pathways: Family and Consumer Science, Technology Education, Business and Industrial Technology. The lack of English language skills shall not be a barrier to admission or participation in the district's activities and programs. The Yankton School District also does not discriminate in its hiring or employment practices.
This notice is provided as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Questions, complaints, or requests for additional information regarding these laws may be forwarded to Kathleen Wagner, Director of Student Services, 2410 West City Limits Road, Yankton, SD 57078; telephone number: (605)665-3999, who has been designated by the Yankton School District School Board to coordinate the District's efforts to comply with the regulations implementing these sections, or the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, One Petticoat Lane, 1010 Walnut Street, 3rd Floor, Ste 320, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone number: (816) 268-0550; TDD number: (800) 877-8339; E-mail: OCR.KansasCity@ed.gov; or fax number: (816) 286-0599.

Prime Time



Learning doesn't begin in Kindergarten, it begins at birth. Long before a child can speak, the acquisition of language skills is taking place. Those language skills play a critical role in the ability to read. The years between ages 3-5 are prime years for language instruction. They are also prime years for gaining the knowledge needed for future learning.